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CHAS. HAYWARD, Secretary.

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May 4th, 1887

THE COLLIERY DISASTER

Nanaimo is Paralyzed by the Frightful Calamity.

The Results are as Terrible as at First Reported.

Rescuing Parties Working Heroically to Save Life.

Lists so Far as Known of the Injured, Imprisoned and Dead.

Heartrending Scenes at the Mouth of the Shaft.

The Fire is Now Supposed to be Under Control.

The Loss in Property Will Foot Up to Half a Million.

Full and Latest Details Concerning the Melancholy Event.

(Special to THE COLONIST from Our Own Correspondent.)

NANAIMO, May 4.

The train which bore your special correspondent to Nanaimo yesterday morning left Russell's station at 3:15, arriving at Nanaimo at 7:10. It carried hose, linseed oil and other supplies, urgently needed to extinguish the fire in the mines and to relieve the sufferings of the wounded.

THE COLLIERY ACCIDENT recorded in THE COLONIST yesterday morning was the most appalling that has ever occurred in the collieries of the Pacific coast.

It took place at No. 1 Esplanade shaft of the Vancouver Coal company at 5:55 on Tuesday evening. The first intimation that those on the surface had of the explosion was a terrific shock, followed by an outburst of thick black smoke from the air shaft. Mr. W. Miller, the engineer in charge of the fan engine, was knocked out through the door of the engine house by the force of the explosion. This was followed very quickly by

A RECOIL MOVEMENT which was even more terrific than the first. In a few minutes flames commenced to issue from the air shaft, and with a loud, roaring noise, arose many feet in the air.

In a short time the fan and fan house caught fire and were entirely consumed, entailing a heavy loss. I have the authority of Mr. Robins, manager of the mine, that the following report from this morning's Free Press is substantially correct:

"In the meantime the miners and officers went down the No. 1 or main hoisting shaft, and succeeded in rescuing the following:

William Davis, who, thought to be alive when first found, died from the effects of the fatal afterdamp.

William Craven, son of Mr. Craven, of the Half-way house, was brought up dead, also from afterdamp.

Fred Matson, a German, who died from afterdamp.

John Smith, who met his death in the same way.

Five Chinamen were also brought up dead, apparently all killed by mechanical injuries.

Geo. Davis, J. Jones, Jas. Stove, sr., John Lynn and Jules Michael were rescued, as well as one Chinaman—Jules Michael suffering severely from afterdamp, and the others from burns and mechanical injuries.

Richard Gibson, mayor of Nanaimo, and overman of the mine on the afternoon shift, miraculously managed to escape from the lower portion of the shaft through the air way, and reached the stables, where he was met by the rescuing party. He was very much dazed from the effect of the afterdamp, and was not able to give a connected account of the explosion, no more than that when the mine "fired" he was knocked down by the force of the explosion, and can hardly say how he managed to reach a place of safety.

The other parties saved were working near the No. 2 shaft, and at the time of the explosion were close to the engine house in the level between the two shafts. They state that two explosions occurred, one almost immediately following the other, and were knocked down, receiving some severe burns, being considerably bruised.

Rescuing and exploring parties continued to attempt to reach the entombed miners, but up to 10:30 o'clock had not been able to reach the unfortunate men, beyond those above mentioned.

It is estimated that from 100 to 125 white men and boys and from 50 to 75 Chinamen were in the mine at the time of the explosion, and only the above have been taken out.

Among those entombed in the mine are some of our earliest pioneers and prominent citizens, and the blow will come home to nearly every family in Nanaimo.

Mr. Samuel Hudson, a miner from Wellington, who nobly volunteered to go down the shaft, in an heroic attempt to save the lives of those imprisoned in the chambers of the coal pit, lost his life in the effort. He leaves a wife and large family to mourn his loss.

In an interview with Mayor Gibson that gentleman stated to your correspondent that the first intimation he had of the explosion was when a tremendous blast knocked him down, rolling him over three or four times and bruising his body. He was near the No. 5 level, alone, about 900 yards from the No. 1 hoisting shaft. He felt no gas or flames at it.

TOOK HIM THREE LONG HOURS to get to the shaft where he, insensible, was met by the exploring party and saved. He reached the summit at 9 o'clock. Mayor Gibson, like all others who were in the

mine, seem yet to be in a dazed condition and can give no intelligible account of the dreadful calamity.

LATER.

8 p.m.—All this day gangs of men have been engaged in a strenuous effort to subdue the flames in the No. 1 shaft of the V. C. Co., and at 1 p.m. it was thought they had the fire under control. The Merryweather steam fire engine is doing good work pumping water from the harbor down the air shaft, the hand fire-engine having been taken down the mine where it is

FIGHTING THE FIRE

from the level. It is impossible to make an attempt to get at the imprisoned men until the fire is subdued, for by doing so it would drive the gas on to the fire and cause a second disaster. There is but little hope of saving the men alive, but an effort will be made at the first possible moment to reach the imprisoned miners. Over one-half of the dead, injured and imprisoned men leave wives and families to mourn their untimely end.

Jules Michael, one of the men injured, stated he was sitting in his cabin at No. 2 shaft and felt a concussion, when all scrambled out, but became insensible; he was the only one that was saved of his four companions whose dead bodies came up in the cage with him. Several can hardly appreciate their miraculous escape, owing to the dread feeling which characterizes all who came out from

THE DEADLY PIT.

Only 150 yards from the entrance to the shaft the explosion is represented as having been something terrible, when all became darkness.

John Lynch, who is badly injured about the face and hands, and has a fractured hip, has been in dementia all day, his talk being of work in the pit. It is thought he will not recover, owing to inhaling the gas. Others are not injured seriously, though all are badly shaken up.

Samuel Hudson's heroic deed is unaccountable. He was a miner of great experience. Those who went down with him to the rescue of their fellows are comparatively inexperienced. He died from the effects of after damp. His brave deed is one of the bright things in

THE CARNIVAL OF MISERY.

The dead Chinaman presented a terrible picture. The gas caused the face to present a bronzed appearance, the scars rendering the features hideous. Pen cannot picture the ghastly sight as they lay stretched out in one of the shafts.

It is absolutely impossible to think of getting at the imprisoned men until the fire is subdued. If they sent more it would drive the gas on to the fire and cause a second disaster. Even now fears are entertained that the whole place may be blown up, and old miners say such a result is possible, if so, the catastrophe would be the greatest recorded in the history of coal mining. All hope of recovering anyone in the mine is long ago abandoned, though

is being done to reach them. It was thought at first of cutting a ditch to the salt water, so as to attempt to put out the fire in No. 2 shaft by turning a stream of water into it, but the scheme was abandoned. It would only flood the mine, rendering it practically useless for a year, and would banish any hope that might have been held of saving the lives of the men.

The mines extend out from shore more than a mile beneath the waters of the harbor, and as one looks over the placid waves he cannot imagine that beneath them lie imprisoned many dead fathers and sons of eighty families of this little city.

AROUND THE SHAFT

The scenes are harrowing in the extreme. As each cage comes up, anxious hearts look for the glad tidings that never come, and linger on in the fond hope, alas, soon to be dispelled, that there is no prospect for the poor ones who died at their post of duty.

Mr. Bryden and Mr. Scott, of the Wellington mines, went down this afternoon at the imminent risk of their lives in an endeavor to make investigations as to the best manner of procedure. These gentlemen, with Mr. Chandler, of the East Wellington mine, have been indefatigable in their efforts to assist in the work of rescue. Indeed, everybody seems possessed with a desire to labor heroically in the arduous and dangerous work.

Drs. Davie, Praeger, Eberts, O'Brien and Walker are in attendance, rendering all the assistance in their power.

A BLACK TALL

hangs over Nanaimo. Business houses are all closed, collieries are shut up, and the entire population is gathered at the scene of the disaster. Weeping wives, terror-stricken children, and sorrowing fathers hover in the vicinity and mourn their terrible affliction. Like Rachel of old, they refuse to be comforted. Even the skies seem to share in the general grief, for they have been sombre and leaden-colored all day, occasional showers of rain casting a dreariness over the already ghastly scene. The imprisoned miners were all old settlers, their faces familiar on the city streets, and there will be many a void in the homes of the people when the terrible tale is told that they are dead.

IT IS ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE

any can have survived, though many have that hope deferred which maketh the heart sick.

The people do not yet begin to realize the extent of the calamity. When the excitement has passed away will come the reaction.

THE TERRIBLE CAUSE

of the explosion, of course, is unknown. It is generally supposed to be an explosion of coal dust similar to that on the Queen of the Pacific. The tale will never be told.

I regret to say the attendance on the dead and suffering in the morning was bad. One drunken fellow seemed to be in charge and acted in a most brutal manner. He was, however, soon dismissed. The injured are doing well.

A strange coincidence is that at the fatal Wellington Colliery several years ago an Italian on his first shift was killed. The same occurred yesterday. The men now in the bowels of the earth were on the afternoon shift from 2 till 10. A young man arrived from the far east to see his brother, who is in the mine. His grief is frantic. Women tore their hair in the agony of their sorrow, and with babes to their bosoms continue to walk up and down mourning their loss. Many were determined that they should go into the cage to find their loved ones. Swarms

of Chinese on the ground are terrified. One-half the dead, injured and imprisoned men

LEAVE WIVES AND FAMILY

to mourn their untimely end. So far as can be gathered the following are the names of the injured, killed and those now in the ill-fated mine:

DEAD.

William Davis, John Lynn, John Smith, William Craven and Frederick Matson, Samuel Hudson, of Wellington, who formed one of the rescuing parties, died from the effects of the afterdamp. Seven Chinamen were brought up dead.

INJURED.

Geo. Davis, John Jones, J. Stove, Sr., John Lynch and Jules Michael. Richard Gibson, the overman of the mine, miraculously escaped with a few cuts about the face.

Following is the list of those now imprisoned in the mine, as near correct as can be obtained at present:

NO. 1 LEVEL.

George Bowden, George Simmons, T. Martin, David Ellis and his son Arthur, Benjamin Poppelwell, James Thomas, Joseph Watson, Edward Johns, David Morgan, Edward Wilkins, Edward Benton, J. Wobank, James Campbell, John Magdon, Robert Buffington, J. McCallie, Richard Fallon, James Milton, William Bone, William Gilbert, John Richards, J. Forrest, Joseph Thompson, Michael Lyons, Andrew Hunter, John Menkin, Sr., Andrew Muir, W. Campbell, and J. J. Smith.

NEW SLOPE.

Daniel Dawson, R. Burns, Thos. Perry, Robert Nicholson, Jonathan Blundell, George Biggs, George Dawson, T. Hughes, Charles Drake, C. Willis, Wm. Hague, James Lyons, John Thompson, A. Smiley, Wm. Morris, Wm. Hoy, John Miles, Alex. McDonald, Wm. Seales, Frank Tully, Wm. Stephenson, A. Menkin and J. Gorman.

NO. 5 LEVEL—OLD SLOPE.

M. Corcoran, Malcolm McLean, Peter Duca and Joseph Tellardo, John Zermanni and A. Deportes (Italians), Nicholas Johns, Roderick McDonald, W. J. Morgan, S. H. Myers, T. Allen and H. Brun.

NO. 3 LEVEL—NORTH.

George Old, Abraham Lewis, John Wobank, Copley Wobank, Thos. Evans, Evan Jones, William and James Davey, J. H. Westfield, Archibald Muir, Henry Lee and his son Hudson Lee, Robert and John Stove, William Ridley, Joseph and Andrew Morton, George Bertram, Herbert Bevilockway, Wm. Luky sr., and Wm. Luky jr., James Hoggan, J. Byers and James Isbister.

It is estimated that there are between 50 and 75 Chinamen in the mine. It is believed that late to-night the fire in the air shaft itself has been extinguished and that the small body of flame exists between the air and main shaft, which will probably be conquered to-morrow, when an attempt will be made to bring air and the work of rescue begin. By to-morrow night it is hoped the imprisoned men may be reached.

One woman in conversation to-night lamented the loss of

HUSBAND, FATHER AND BROTHER,

her all, and seemed to have given up all hope, and only prayed to see her dead husband once more. This is only one of the many cases. The shift that came up late to-night reported hearing evidently a pick striking on the opposite side of the wall. The feeling now is where there is life there is hope, but that hope is unfortunately very vague.

THE LOSS IS ESTIMATED AT HALF A MILLION DOLLARS.

Mr. Arch. Muir, engineer of the drydock, has five brothers-in-law, an uncle and a nephew in the Vancouver Co.'s employ, viz., Wm. and Geo. Campbell, Jas. Price, John Hamilton, Henry Jubral, Wm. Hoy, and Archibald Muir, the latter a resident of the province for the past thirty years.

The Victoria telegraph office was besieged by people inquiring for friends who were working in the mines, and many messages were sent asking for information concerning them.

Supt. Hunter's prompt action in sending supplies for dressing wounds, etc., arranging for the securing of fire hose, and despatching of a special train to the scene of the disaster is highly commendable. The train would have started earlier, but for the fact that there were numerous trees on the track, and a working party were forwarded with the train to clear the road.

The fact that the wires were down until 11:30 Tuesday night accounts for the absence of news of the explosion until so late an hour.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

A large skating rink was burned at Los Angeles, Cal., on Tuesday. Loss about \$20,000.

A heavy earthquake was felt at Centerville, Cal., on Tuesday. The direction was from north to south.

The largest gas well has been found at Fairmount, near Muncie, Ind. The test shows it is flowing 12,000,000 feet per day.

A rain storm prevailed throughout central Texas on Monday night, breaking the drought which has existed for a long period.

A. C. Dawes, agent of the Hannibal & St. Joe railway, has been offered the place of general manager of the O. R. & N. company and will accept.

The Chinese government has settled the currency question by making contracts with a Birmingham firm for a supply of silver and bronze coinage.

Capt. Isaac H. Houghton, bookkeeper for Seall & Headley, whose defection and flight from Boston were learned on Monday, is believed to have gone to Canada.

The American Sugar Refinery has made a reduction of ten per cent. in the wages of all its employes, excepting the clerks, teamsters and coopers. The California Refinery will not take similar action.

A prospective duel between a foreign minister representing a European power and a citizen of the City of Mexico is creating high excitement in political and social circles of that city. A girl is the cause of the duel.

A horrible tragedy occurred at a farm house two miles south of Grand Rapids, Mich., Monday night. A woman named Mitchell, who had not lived happily with her husband, gave her children "Rough on Rats" and then swallowed a dose herself, because he had threatened to end her existence. They will all die.

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FROM THE CAPITAL.

A New Proposal to Settle the Fisheries Question.

Behring's Sea Correspondence—Dispatches Not Yet Brought Down.

Serious Trouble Anticipated if Editor O'Brien Visits Ottawa—The City Council Condemns Parliament for Interfering in Imperial Matters.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, May 3.—Several government measures were advanced a stage. Mr. Shakespeare opposed the week's adjournment. It will likely not be pushed now. Fisheries correspondence by

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THE NANAIMO DISASTER.

The announcement in our issue of yesterday of the mining disaster at Nanaimo caused a general feeling of grief throughout the city. Since the explosion at the Wellington mines in June, 1884, beyond a few individual accidents, there has been a freedom from disaster in the coal mines of the island. The terrible catastrophe of Tuesday evening is without parallel in the history of the Pacific Coast, and as yet it is hard to realize that probably over one hundred and fifty human beings have been suddenly consigned to an awful death in the bowels of the earth. The accident occurred at a time when there was likely to be a large number of miners engaged at work, and the heavy mortality is the result. Words are weak to express the deep sorrow that is felt on all sides for the unfortunate sufferers by this unexpected calamity. There is scarcely a home in Nanaimo which is not in mourning to-night over the loss of some loved one, and the city is literally mourning in blacked robes and ashes. Already by resolution of the council, a practical sympathy with the bereaved has been expressed by rendering available for relief, if necessary, the sum of one thousand dollars. So soon as an intimation is given we feel sure that Victoria's citizens will supplement this amount by generous subscriptions, so that those who have been deprived of the bread winners may receive at least temporary relief from pressing necessity. For some time the coal market has been depressed, and it was only within the past couple of months that it had brightened, rendering it possible for the company to give full hours to their employees, and the accident is on this account all the more keenly felt. What caused led to the explosion of the fire-damp are unknown. Great precaution has always been observed to prevent such an occurrence. Those who have been rescued so far are unable to give any information on the matter, and, while it seems like hoping against hope, it will only be a matter of time before the fire has been extinguished, the war pumps out, and those who may remain yet remain alive rescued, that the facts of the case will be learned. A searching enquiry will no doubt be made. Hon. J. Robson, minister of mines, proceeds to Nanaimo to-day, in order that the government may personally be informed of what steps are necessary for them to follow, and to what extent pecuniary assistance may be needed. In the meantime, the city of Nanaimo and its people have the heartfelt sympathy of Victoria, and anything and everything that can be done to lighten the heavy blow will be gladly accorded them.

INSOLVENCY AND MORTGAGES.

Mr. Edgar's insolvency bill, introduced at Ottawa, provides simply for the discharge of insolvents upon the payment of certain proportions of their indebtedness. It does not deal at all with the methods of dividing assets, nor does it provide for the appointment of assignees, these matters being left to the operation of the provincial laws. The discharges, which are to be given by the county judges after examination into the affairs of the debtor, are to be regulated thus: When an estate has paid two-thirds of its indebtedness, the insolvent may be discharged on a vote of the majority of the creditors; when an estate has paid one-third of its indebtedness the insolvent may be discharged by consent of two-thirds of the creditors; when an estate has paid less than one-third of its indebtedness the discharge may be granted if three-fourths of the creditors have consented to it. A discharge, however, is not to be granted unless the insolvent has satisfactorily accounted for the failure of, nor is to be allowed if it is shown that the insolvent has been extravagant in his expenses or reckless in becoming surety for others. Similarly there is to be no discharge where the business has been mismanaged, where debts have been incurred without reasonable expectation of paying them, and where the business has been continued after the insolvent had reason to know that he could not carry on. Where the books have been negligently kept the discharge is to be suspended for five years. Any discharge given is not to relieve the insolvent of any debt incurred by false representations to the creditors or any damage resulting from lawsuits arising out of violation of the law. Notice of an important bill amending the mortgage law has been given by Mr. McMillan. The first amendment provides that a first mortgage cannot commence proceedings without notifying the second mortgagee and giving him thirty days in which to consider whether he will purchase the first mortgage or not. This provision is designed to save the second mortgagee the costs to which the first mortgagee is subjected. Many of the loan companies decline to assign a first mortgage to a second mortgagee on the ground that their charters give them no such authority. It is proposed to confer the authority upon them by this bill. A further proposal is that a mortgagee shall be compelled to

accept payment of his mortgage at any time after the mortgage has been in operation a year, on the mortgagee giving six months' notice or paying six months' interest. This is an extension of the present law which enables a mortgagee to get rid of his mortgage after five years have elapsed.

THE NIHILISTS.

The St. James Gazette: It is generally believed that the recent and persistent attempts of the nihilists to murder the czar must have a great influence upon his policies; though there is not much agreement as to how these policies are likely to be affected. But amongst the signs and portents in Russia, the most significant is not the revival of nihilist assassination plots. We have been told a hundred times, on authority of various kinds, that the nihilists are but a handful after all; that, dangerous as they are from their desperate fanaticism, their numbers are quite inconsiderable. That may or may not be so. Our own opinion is that the nihilist creed is attractive to more men and women than either the friends or foes of Russia are disposed to believe. But what we have now to remark is, that, supposing nihilism to be little more than an assassination club, what are we to make of the news that four hundred and eighty-two officers of the Russian army have just been taken to Odessa under military escort? Before this report came in we heard that many officers had been arrested, and there were whispers of a conspiracy amongst the upper classes of society that had nothing to do with nihilism and no sympathy at all with assassination. But, four hundred and eighty-two officers, under arrest at one time! Can it be true? Yes, of course, it can be true, because in Russia the army plays an infinitely larger part in politics than it does elsewhere in Europe, and whenever there is any real revolutionary movement about in the czar's dominions the officers of the army will certainly be found in it by the hundred. But is this news true? We confess we doubt it at present. In all likelihood the number of officers under arrest has been exaggerated; or the police have been blindly seizing upon men here and there, and they generally do after an attempt has been made on the emperor's life. But supposing the story to be true, or supposing that the czar himself believes that nearly five hundred of his officers have had to be arrested for conspiracy, then has matter for reflection far more serious than another effort on the part of a political murder club to "remove" him from the world. Widespread must be the fire where there is so much smoke as this. When army officers by the hundred are discovered in conspiracy against the state, the danger must be great indeed; and the symptoms are such as point with commanding emphasis to the usual remedy—which is war.

IMMIGRANTS from every part of Europe—Ireland, Germany, Italy, England, Russia, Spain, France and other countries—are pouring into New York at the rate of 2000 a day, but our neighbors are not as happy over this rapid increase of their population as they were wont to be some years ago. They have begun to realize that a portion of this tide carries pauperism and anarchy with it—two evils that have already a sufficient foothold in America.

The latest addition to the American huddle colony in Canada is a woman, a Mrs. Howe, the success of whose operations is an evidence of how easy it is to gull even sensible persons when an appeal is made to their cupidity. Mrs. Howe first appeared some years ago as the manager of what she called a woman's bank, in Boston. She promised extraordinary rates of interest, which paid for a time, living all the while in the best style. Then she failed, after squandering a quarter of a million of money, and spent the next three years of her life in the house of correction for criminals. When she got out she set herself to catch another lot of fools baiting her hook with an offer of 7 per cent. per month interest on deposits, paid always in advance. Money flowed in to the extent of \$150,000, part of which she expended in paying the exorbitant rate mentioned, part she squandered in high living, and then she started for Canada with \$50,000 in her possession. Her dupes are mostly working women, whose ignorance of business methods and possibilities allowed them to believe the extraordinary stories which were told to them, and who did not know that money, like everything else, has its value, and that whoever offers more than that for its use should be looked upon as unsafe, and steadfastly avoided.

THE ESQUIMALT DOCK.

TO THE EDITOR:—In this morning's issue of your paper I notice a letter signed by "Mariner," and while fully endorsing his recommendation that the dock at Esquimalt should be lengthened, so as to accommodate the longest steamers afloat, I do not think it right that his statements as to the capacity of the dock, as at present constructed, should go forth to the world as correct without substantiation.

If "Mariner" had taken the trouble to read your valuable and interesting article on the work in your issue of April 3rd, he would have then found out that the length of the dock on the keel blocks is 430 feet instead of 410 feet, as he states, and that a ship not exceeding 450 feet over all could be berthed with the caisson in its ordinary position, and further, that a ship 31 feet longer could, on an emergency, be docked by placing the caisson against the outside meeting face of the outer invert.

By inserting the above you will greatly oblige.

ONE WHO KNOWS.
VICTORIA, B. C., 4th May, 1887.



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PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

I have received instructions from Jas. R. Anderson, Esq., to sell by Auction on Thursday, May 12th, all his Household Effects and a fine assortment of House Plants, at his residence, "Clematis Cottage," Kingston St., James Bay.

GEO. BYRNES,

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Wednesday, May 11th, 1887.

—IN THE—

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Pursuant to an order made in an action, Naylor v. Jackson and others, with the approval of the Judge, I will sell at

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The westerly portion of Town Lot No. 187, having a frontage of 20 feet on Yates, by a depth of 120 feet, together with the two-story brick building now occupied by Capt. W. R. Clarke, at a nominal monthly rent of thirty dollars. This property, if the building is put in a thorough state of repair, may be made to realize more than double the present rental.

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Town Lot 37, having frontages on Constance and Store streets of 66 feet by a depth of 110 feet. This property is desirable for a manufacturing business, having frontages on two streets in the neighborhood of the lumber and foundry industries.

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A piece of land situate in Sooke District, being Section LXVII, containing 8 acres, fronting on Sooke Harbor, and is a most desirable site for a summer residence.

FORT HOPE.

28th Particulars and conditions of sale on and after the second day of May, can be obtained from Charles Wilson, Solicitor, Broughton street, Victoria, and of the Auctioneer.

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Having Sold the Stock of Merchandise and Good Will of the Business, heretofore carried on by me, to Messrs.

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I hereby thank the public of Victoria, and customers through the country for the liberal patronage they favored me with and solicit a continuance of the same for my successors,

April 18th, 1887.

A. OFNER.

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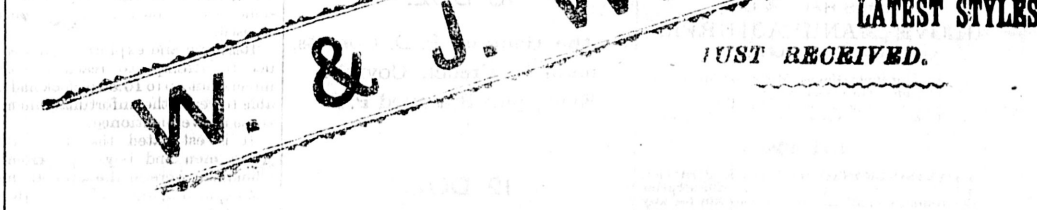
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NOTICE OF PARTNERSHIP. THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE ADMITTED as a full partner, from the 1st instant, Mr. LOUIS GARCIA DUMBLETON. The style of the firm will henceforth be known as the Hall & Co. & Co. HALL & GOEPFEL, Victoria, B. C., April 25, 1887. april27-1m

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May 4.—Str North Pacific, Pt Townsend, Str. Princess Louise, Burrard Inlet. Str. R. P. Rithet, Nanaimo.

CLEARANCE.

May 4.—Str North Pacific, Port Townsend, Str. Princess Louise, Burrard Inlet.

PASSENGERS.

Per Str. North Pacific, for Port Townsend: H. Spence, E. A. Hackett, Mrs. Currie, J. C. Hovey, H. Spence, W. C. Hackett, C. Taylor, J. Dalry, C. Hovey, J. Brown, A. W. Landon, J. A. Duffy, H. Widdings, B. O. Ward and wife, Williams, Miss Rostin, M. Soli.

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Per Str. Princess Louise, for Burrard Inlet: Dominion Express Company, Wadhams, and Elliot.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

At The Clarence—B. O. Hara and wife, Portland; W. C. Hackett, Nanaimo; Geo. Hume and wife, Los Angeles; W. H. Thompson, Auckland.

At The Dillard—Geo. H. Whelan, San Francisco; E. A. Hackett, Portland; James A. Duffy, Quincy, Ill.; J. C. Hovey, Alameda; J. C. Innes, Vancouver; G. S. Stairs, Donald; J. G. Blake, New Westminster; J. F. McMartin, Montreal.

DEATHS.

HELMCKEN—At the residence of Mr. J. A. McTavish, South Saanich, on the 2nd inst. Mary Jane, the beloved wife of J. D. Helmcken, aged 55 years and 7 months. The funeral will leave the residence of Dr. J. S. Helmcken, James Bay, at 2 o'clock p. m., and the Reformed Episcopal Church at 2.30 o'clock Friday.

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Owing to the funeral of Mrs. J. D. Helmcken, which takes place to-morrow, the "At Home" to have been given by Commander Nicholls and the officers of H. M. S. Cormorant has been postponed until Monday evening, the 9th inst.

Justice Hospital Donations.

Mr. W. C. Ward, manager of the Bank of British Columbia, received a telegram from London yesterday instructing him to donate \$1,000 on behalf of the bank to the Jubilee Hospital Fund. It is also probable that the Hudson's Bay Company will donate a similar amount.

To the Boundary Line.

The following dispatch has been received at Winnipeg from D. McArthur and T. C. Scooble: St. Paul, April 29.—Have completed arrangements with the Northern Pacific to build to the boundary, if the government and people of Manitoba support the efforts of the Manitoba Central to meet them.

Coal.

The steamer R. P. Rithet, Capt. White, returned from Departure Bay yesterday with 183 tons of Wellington coal. It is said that she will shortly be painted and otherwise repaired, and will then go on the New Westminster route. The Yosemite takes the place of the Princess Louise, returning to Port Moody.

Supposed to be Drowned.

A small sailboat was picked up in Esquimalt harbor yesterday morning bottom up by some sailors of H. M. S. Triumph. A man was seen sailing in her on Tuesday, and as nothing has been heard of him since, it is presumed that he has fallen a victim to the heavy gale that prevailed that day. The boat was handed over to Constable Campbell, who awaits further developments.

A Calico Ball.

The members of the Victoria Typographical Union purpose holding a calico ball shortly, the proceeds of which will be donated to the Jubilee Hospital fund. Every effort is being made by the committee, who have in charge its preparation, to make the ball a grand success. In their praiseworthy object the printers deserve the support and encouragement of the dancing portion of our citizens.

Antiquarian Society.

The St. Joseph's Social and Literary society will give their first anniversary social at the Theatre Comique this evening. The members will be assisted by young ladies of St. Andrew's R. C. congregation and several local amateurs. The programme will comprise vocal and instrumental music, recitations, tableaux, etc. A most enjoyable evening is assured. Admission including refreshments, 50c; children half price.

Sawdust Bricks.

Inquiries have been made of the civic authorities of Hull as to what inducements the corporation would offer for the establishment of a factory on that side for the manufacture of a composition from clay and sawdust. This material can be used as brick tiles and is non-combustible. It is probable that the corporation will be willing to make some concessions. Here is an opening by which sawdust from our lumber mills may be profitably utilized.

A Serious Runaway.

Rev. J. B. Alexander, British vice-consul at Port Townsend, was returning a lively team to the stable of that town on Tuesday evening, when the animals became frightened and dashed down the steep incline on Washington street, throwing the gentleman violently to the ground and upsetting the carriage. One of the horses broke his foreleg, and was afterwards killed. Mr. Alexander was badly bruised about the face and shoulders, but otherwise did not sustain any serious injuries. The carriage was a total loss.

Lime Light Lecture at V. M. C. A.

Last night Mr. R. Finlay-Hern delivered a lecture to a full house on "From England to New York." The lecture was copiously illustrated by photographic views by means of a powerful oxyhydrogen lantern. The lecturer described the pleasures as well as the discomforts of passengers of the ocean voyage from Liverpool to New York. He dwelt on the wonders and beauties of New York city, showing fine photographic transparencies of the palatial buildings and splendid thoroughfares of that great metropolis.

The Vote by Provinces.

Following is the vote by provinces in the recent division on the Queen's county election case, which virtually decided the strength of the government:

Province	For	Against
Ontario	20	21
Quebec	20	24
Nova Scotia	11	7
Prince Edward Island	0	5
British Columbia	0	5
Northwest	3	0
Nanaimo	4	1
New Brunswick	7	5
Total	109	77

The Sanit National Park.

The bill respecting the national park at Banff, introduced by Hon. Mr. White, defines the limits of the park which includes 360 square miles; it is set apart as "a public park and pleasure park for the benefit and advantage of the people of Canada." No person is allowed to settle in the park, unless as provided by the bill. The park is to be under the control and management of the minister of the interior, who will make provisions for its care and management, and that of the hot springs, for leasing parts of the park, for issuing licenses for working mines, controlling trade and traffic of every description, preservation of game. Heavy penalties may be imposed for any infraction of the law. It is the intention of the government to make this place a favorite resort for health and pleasure seekers, and everything will be done to make it worthy of being a national institution.

The Contest To-Day.

The Cowichan electors are called upon to-day to elect a representative to the provincial parliament to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late premier. From all evidences that have so far been received, there can be little doubt about the result, for the good people of the district desire to return a member who will in every way secure the confidence of the government; consequently, Mr. Sutton's return is assured. It has been repeatedly stated that he is the government candidate, and that Mr. Fry is running in direct opposition to their wishes. It is, therefore, unnecessary to urge government supporters to avoid being led into the mistake of voting for Mr. Fry under the supposition that he is in accord with the present administration.

On Tuesday a couple of meetings were held on Salt Spring Island, one in the afternoon at Vesuvius Bay, the other in the evening at Burgoyne Bay. Both were attended by the candidates and by the Hon. J. Robson, and the result of each was very much in favor of Mr. Sutton's candidature. He will obtain a handsome majority in Salt Spring Island.

A Long Stage.

Mr. Jerry Callahan, the popular telegraph operator at Nanaimo, was on duty from 8 o'clock Tuesday morning until 1 o'clock this morning. During that time he sent many thousand words in private messages and press telegrams.

The Yale Election.

The ballot boxes from Rock creek polling division arrived at six last night. The counting takes place at Kamloops this morning, and by noon the actual result will be announced in the Yale election. There is every reason to believe that it will be four to one in favor of the chief commissioner.

Again in the Tolls.

Henry Gant was again before Mr. Johnson, S. M., yesterday. Mr. Willis Bond, who appeared for the defendant some days ago, when he was charged with stealing earth, made a very clever hit by raising a point in the common law of England, which was that to remove earth from the streets was not stealing. Unfortunately for him, his point did not stick, although Gant was discharged. The city surveyor brought up another charge, and gave Bond, who is the defendant's "boss," a chance to replace the earth. Mr. Bloomfield, however, informed the court that he had direct instructions from the mayor to prosecute Gant, and Mr. Johnson remanded the case until to-day in order to see if the matter cannot be settled by Bond.

Victoria Cricket Club.

The annual general meeting of the above club was held yesterday at the office of Messrs. Davie & Pooley. Sir Matthew Begbie in the chair. On motion of Mr. C. E. Pooley, seconded by Mr. D. M. Elberts, it was resolved that his honor the lieutenant-governor be requested to become president of the club. Sir Matthew B. Begbie was elected vice-president, Mr. J. K. Worsfold honorary secretary, and Mr. E. A. Wyld honorary treasurer. A ballot being taken the following were chosen as members of the executive committee: Messrs. J. W. Sinclair, H. J. Campbell, B. T. Drake, R. E. Irving and R. P. Snowden. After the transaction of other business it was resolved, on motion of Mr. Elberts, seconded by Mr. Pooley, "That the committee prepare a scheme for obtaining a proper cricket ground, and present the same at a general meeting to be called within a month." At this meeting a financial statement, which was not complete yesterday, will be presented, and it is hoped that the committee will be in a position to show the feasibility of procuring a good ground, a step rendered necessary by the steady increase in the number of paying members and the consequent possibility of more good matches. The great drawback to the prosperity of cricket in Victoria is the want of opponents within reach. The cricketers of Vancouver, however, have organized, and we may hope for an occasional game with them, while in the near future our brethren from further east may be expected to visit us. Meantime H.M.S. Triumph will be able to strengthen her eleven from the other men-of-war here or expected, sufficiently to give us a repetition of the capital games of last season, and there is quite enough local talent to ensure a regular succession of home matches. The members of the new committee have taken office with a full understanding of what is required of them, and hope to place the affairs of the club on a more satisfactory footing than they have hitherto enjoyed.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

The regular weekly meeting of the council was held last evening. Present, His worship the mayor in the chair; Councillors, Grant, Styles, Harris, Braden, Pearso, Vigilius, Barnard and Coughlan.

THE NANAIMO EXPLOSION.

Coun. Grant asked an opportunity to offer a resolution which he felt would meet with the approval of all present. Since the loss of the steamer Pacific no such appalling catastrophe had befallen the province as that which had taken place at Nanaimo last night. He would move the following:

RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE.

Inasmuch as a dire calamity has befallen our neighbors of the good city of Nanaimo, whereby a large number of citizens have lost their lives through an unfortunate explosion in the Vancouver Coal Company works.

Therefore be it resolved that the citizens of Victoria through this council do extend their sincere sympathy to the citizens of Nanaimo, but more particularly to the bereaved. And a sum of five hundred dollars be placed in the hands of Mayor Fell to be expended in the relief of the unfortunate if it should be found necessary.

And further, that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the mayor of the city of Nanaimo.

Coun. Pearce in seconding the resolution expressed the deep sympathy he felt for the bereaved with some of whom he was personally acquainted.

Coun. Harris was fully in sympathy with the resolution, but thought not less than \$1,000 should be granted. He would suggest that the resolution be altered in that respect. The resolution was accordingly altered to read \$1,000.

Coun. Pearce then moved that in view of the awful calamity at Nanaimo that this council do now adjourn, seconded by Coun. Vigilius and carried.

PERSONAL.

P. E. Irving, deputy attorney-general, arrived down last night.

Rev. H. H. Cameron was a passenger last night by the Louise.

F. C. Innes, W. Harkins and H. F. Keeler, C. E., arrived from Vancouver on the Louise.

John C. Siegfried, of Siegfried & Brandenstein, tea merchants, San Francisco, is at the Driad.

J. Hume and wife (Mrs. Hampson), the revivalists, were passengers on the Louise last night from Vancouver.

G. B. Pattie, of Ottawa, arrived from San Francisco and registered at the Driad. He is one of the chief lumbermen of the Ottawa valley, and is en route east.

Robert Kerr, general western passenger and freight agent of the C. P. R. at Winnipeg, and D. E. Brown, district passenger and freight agent at Port Moody, arrived on the Louise last night.

Mr. Kerr is here on a business trip and left this morning for Seattle, where he will remain until Friday, returning to this city Saturday. He will then leave on his return trip Sunday morning.

NANAIMO SUFFERERS.

To THE EDITOR:—Would it not do a great deal more good to send the money to be raised for "Jubilee days" to the poor suffering widows and orphans at Nanaimo than to waste it in frivolous amusements?

J. S. H.

A Matter of Fact.

One of the few preparations that seldom disappoints on trial, is that old standard throat and lung medicine, Hagar's Peppermint Cure, for coughs, colds, bronchitis, asthma, sore throat and other disorders of the air passages. tu-thu-sat-dw

THE FOSTER MINE.

Its Prospects and Present Appearance.

An Unquestionably Rich and Promising Mining District.

Mr. Wm. S. May, who arrived in this city Tuesday evening from Big Slide, location of the Foster mine, where he erected the first sulphuret quartz mill in the province, favored a reporter of THE COLONIST with an interview last evening. Mr. May is from Grass Valley, California, where he has erected several quartz mills. He is also a bridge builder of great experience and high repute. Mr. May left the Slide on the 29th ult., and brings the latest news from that interesting section. When he left the ten-stamp

MILL WAS CRUSHING ROCK

at the rate of twenty-five tons in a day of twenty-four hours. After the first few hours' run considerable free gold was observed on the copper plates, and the ore which had gone through the concentrators was apparently of a high grade, the "concentrates" being very heavy. Everything connected with the mill worked to a charm, and Mr. Henderson, the superintendent, was most sanguine as to the results. Mr. May, who speaks from experience, says that in his opinion such a thing as failure is impossible, the character of the rock being far above the average of any sulphuret rock he has seen worked in California, and the appliances being the most modern and approved. Mr. May declined to venture an opinion as to the exact yield per ton, but he thinks the outcome of the first and all subsequent clean-ups will

ASTONISH AND DELIGHT THE SHAREHOLDERS

who, he thinks, are to be congratulated upon their enterprise in opening what he believes is destined to be a rich mining district. The country about Big Slide and Pavilion Mountain contains many quartz ledges and the success that has crowned the efforts of the Foster Co. will give an impetus to mining interests in this province that few can realize at present.

BARRIERS.

Mr. May went to the Slide in the latter part of December. The weather was then extremely cold and continued severe until March. Most of the work on the mill was done when the thermometer was below zero, and large fires had to be built on the millsite to thaw the ice that had settled on the lumber and kept the men from being frost-bitten. Probably no other mill was ever built under such adverse circumstances. Mr. May pays a high tribute to Mr. Superintendent Henderson, whose presence and example cheered the men and inspired them with confidence.

THE PROPERTY.

The Foster Co. own 4,500 feet of the ledge, which is destined to become famous. They have drilled a long way into Pavilion mountain and have many thousands of tons of ore in sight. The latest strike in the mine was an exceedingly rich deposit of black sulphurets, which assays \$136 in gold and \$29 in silver to the ton. The mill is driven by hydraulic power, the water being obtained from Kelly creek, which the company have secured. The water is abundant.

A COINCIDENCE.

Mr. May mentions as a remarkable coincidence that the mill started to crush on the 27th of April, exactly one year from the date on which Mr. Henderson first visited the mine to examine and report upon its value as a mining property. Upon his report the Foster Company was formed.

BIG SLIDE.

Mr. May regards the tramway and "Jacob's Ladder," which Mr. Henderson has had constructed down the gorge which leads along the Big Slide to the millsite as one of the most extraordinary evidences of engineering skill and audacity he has ever met with. Over this tramway and ladder every stick of timber, every piece of machinery, and every brick contained in the works were conveyed, with one or two trifling exceptions, without accident.

Mr. May leaves for San Francisco on the Sound steamer to-day.

ILLECELEWAIT NOTES.

Arrival of Quartz Machinery—Buildings Being Erected—Preparing for Snowball Construction—Mining Prospects—The Track in Good Condition.

(Correspondence of THE COLONIST.)

The machinery for the Sulphur Mining and Smelting Co., under the management of Mr. G. B. Wright, has arrived, and will soon be placed in position. The engine is of Ames' celebrated engines of 30 horse-power, manufactured by Ames & Co., Oswego, N. Y. The opening of the mines will start soon, and has already caused quite an excitement.

There has been a couple of good leads struck this spring already, though the snow not being quite all gone, keeps prospectors from going into the mountains to a very great height.

The C. P. R. has just completed the survey of station grounds. Mr. Atherton is preparing to enlarge his hotel. Messrs. Dunn and Larnier have the foundations down for a larger store. Foundations are being laid in every available spot for buildings of every description, and several are well under way. Mr. Alfred G. Fox has his hotel up. It will be completed in the course of a couple of weeks, and will be constructed in first-class style.

Mr. G. B. Wright is expected to-morrow with men to put up the stamp mill and rock-breakers and prepare for a large summer's work.

Mr. T. L. Fox expects to move his saw-mill up to this place to begin cutting timber, etc., for snow sheds.

Messrs. Corbet and Kennedy are on their way from the east to develop their mines. Messrs. Norris and Dundee are working their mines in full blast, taking out ore.

Owing to the very great depths of snow it rendered traffic almost impossible to the mines till a few days ago. The average depth is about nine feet.

Trains have been delayed to a certain extent the last few days owing to heavy rains washing earth slides down, but the track is in a fair condition now for traffic.

The weather is warm and clear at present, but evenings still keep cool.

Illecillewait, B. C., April 30, 1887.

Winnipeg Flour.

Of the many brands of flour imported, McMillan's stands first for all purposes. Awarded diploma and medal at the Colonial exhibition, England, and first prize at Provincial Exhibition, Winnipeg, Man., 1886. Give it a trial. Sold by the leading grocers. Imo

A Fair Offer.

For many years the proprietors of Hagar's Yellow Oil have offered to refund the money to all purchasers of that medicine who failed to give relief in case of rheumatism, neuralgia, sore throat, deafness, burns, bruises, sprains, stiff joints and neuralgia, and internal or external inflammation. tu-thu-sat-dw

MARINE.

(Specially compiled for THE COLONIST.)

Ships Geo. F. Manson and J. V. Troop are taking in cargoes of Wellington coal. Ship John A. Briggs, which is at present in Royal roads, has 3,300 tons of Wellington coal.

Ship Joseph S. Spinney sailed from Liverpool last Thursday for Seattle loaded with railroad iron.

Ship John A. Briggs, Capt. Boyd, is at present in Royal roads, and will leave as soon as the weather moderates.

Bolivian bark Bundaloe, now loading East Wellington coal, will complete her cargo in a few days.

Rough weather off Cape Flattery for the past three days has been reported by the arrivals at Port Townsend.

Ship Ilesquois, Capt. Nicholas, with 3,300 tons of coal from Departure Bay, arrived last Saturday in San Francisco.

Barkentine John Worster, which arrived in Royal roads, has 800 tons of Wellington coal for the Sandwich Islands.

Steamer Olympian did not go north yesterday, as announced, and Capt. Carroll will not sail until the weather is more favorable.

Ship Highland Light, Capt. Sawyer, 18 days from San Francisco, arrived at Port Townsend yesterday, bound to Tacoma to load coal as a return cargo.

Ship Ericsson, Capt. Plummer, 1563 tons, arrived Tuesday at Port Townsend from San Pedro, to load lumber at one of the Sound ports for California.

British bark Ballumbie completed her cargo of 1850 tons of V. C. Co.'s coal on Tuesday afternoon, and will have quick dispatch for San Francisco.

Am. bark Escort, Waterhouse, arrived in Royal roads from Hong Kong at 6 o'clock last evening. She has a cargo of general merchandise for this port.

The number of vessels which cleared at the port of Nanaimo for the month ending April 30th, 1887, is 18. Those took as cargoes 29,220 tons of coal for foreign ports.

Barks Viola and John Worster, the former lumber laden for South America and the latter coal laden for Sandwich Islands, are in Royal roads awaiting favorable weather.

Norwegian bark Carl Pihl, Capt. Omdendson, 726 tons, from San Diego, arrived Tuesday at Port Townsend. The bark is chartered to load lumber for Buenos Ayres at \$2.15c. per thousand feet.

Ship Joseph B. Thomas, Capt. Lermond, 1851 tons, which arrived at San Francisco on April 11th from Sydney, N. S. W., coal laden, is chartered to load coal from Seattle as return cargo. The vessel carries 2000 tons of coal.

German ship Ferdinand Fischer, ship Harvester, ship Solitaire and ship Chesapeake are at anchor in Nanaimo harbor awaiting cargoes of V. C. Co.'s coal. It is thought that they will be delayed some time on account of the terrible calamity at the mines.

WHAT SOME PEOPLE SAY.

That it is hard for a man suffering from egotism to egg-shell.

That Hall & Lowe make a specialty of Children's